

## **BELT Practice**

### **Listening Comprehension**

**1. .**

1. What do they plan on doing tonight?
  - ☐ Go play basketball with friends
  - ☐ Work all night long for tomorrow's presentation
  - ☐ Drink and get drunk
  - ☐ Stay home and rest
2. Why do they plan on going out tonight?
  - ☐ To forget about work
  - ☐ Because work is stressful
  - ☐ To get drunk
  - ☐ All of the above
3. How late do they plan on staying out tonight?
  - ☐ Until the next morning
  - ☐ Not too late
  - ☐ After they are both drunk
  - ☐ Until 3 in the morning
4. Where do they plan on going?
  - ☐ To the local bar
  - ☐ To a restaurant
  - ☐ To a club in downtown
  - ☐ None of the above

**2. .**

1. Why doesn't Jackie look so well?
  - ☐ She is sick

- ☐ She is stressed out
- ☐ She just had a fight with her boyfriend
- ☐ She just failed an exam

2. Why is Jackie having a hard time keeping up with class?

- ☐ She was working part time
- ☐ She had to take care of her mother who was sick
- ☐ She couldn't understand the material and didn't look for help early enough
- ☐ She had too many classes to take and got behind

3. What is the solution to get through this problem?

- ☐ Take her mother to the hospital
- ☐ Drop out of one class
- ☐ Find a tutor to help with this subject
- ☐ Study with a friend with encouragement

4. What statement is true from this dialog?

- ☐ A new semester is about to start for school
- ☐ The mother is sick but is getting better
- ☐ They are both working to pay for school
- ☐ They both have exams coming up

3. .

1. What is the good news in this dialog?

- ☐ He just got a job
- ☐ He is going on a vacation
- ☐ He found a pretty girlfriend
- ☐ None of the above

2. What is the bad news in this dialog?

- ☐ His wife is worried about their finances
- ☐ The job market is bad right now

- ☐ He lost his job
  - ☐ All of the above
3. What is the friend doing about the situation?
- ☐ Nothing he can do about it
  - ☐ Contact other friends who might be able to help find a job
  - ☐ Talk to his manager about openings in their company
  - ☐ None of the above
4. What advice is the friend giving?
- ☐ To not worry as he will get through this
  - ☐ To start saving money for the hard times
  - ☐ To start working at a gas station temporarily
  - ☐ All of the above

4. .

1. What is Jack excited about?
- ☐ Going on a vacation
  - ☐ Starting school
  - ☐ Finishing school
  - ☐ Starting work
2. What does Jack think is more exciting between starting school or work?
- ☐ Neither is exciting
  - ☐ Both are similar
  - ☐ Work is more exciting
  - ☐ School is more exciting
3. What is the best description about Jack's attitude toward work?
- ☐ He is depressed because he will have to work for 30 years
  - ☐ He is sad that he can't have fun at school anymore
  - ☐ He is looking forward to making work fun

☐ He doesn't care one way or another

4. Who started work first between Jack and his friend?

☐ Jack

☐ His friend

☐ Neither of them are working yet

☐ Both started at the same time

5. .

1. Where did he get a job?

☐ At a computer software company

☐ At a marketing company

☐ At a consulting firm

☐ At an accounting firm

2. What things did he stop worrying about after getting a job?

☐ How to pay the bills

☐ How to explain to his mother

☐ Not having to job search and interview anymore

☐ Feeling like a loser

3. When does he start work?

☐ Next Monday

☐ Next month

☐ On June 1st

☐ On April 15th

4. How is he feeling about starting work?

☐ Relieved and happy

☐ Nervous and excited

☐ Scared and worried

☐ None of the above

6. .

1. Why does Sarah look so terrible?

- ☐ Her dog died
- ☐ Her fish died
- ☐ Her grandmother passed away
- ☐ Her grandfather passed away

2. What was the cause of death?

- ☐ Natural
- ☐ Car accident
- ☐ Attacked by another dog
- ☐ Cat ate the fish

3. What recommendation did the friend give Sarah?

- ☐ To forget about everything
- ☐ To visit the cemetery often
- ☐ To look at old photos
- ☐ To buy another pet

4. Where are they going now?

- ☐ To the cemetery
- ☐ To the pet store
- ☐ To eat something
- ☐ To the hospital

7. .

1. What causes stress the most for this person?

- ☐ Pressure from parents
- ☐ Too much school work
- ☐ Stressful work

☐ Demanding wife

2. Why does the other friend NOT have this same problem?

- ☐ Brought home bad grades
- ☐ Always got into trouble
- ☐ Never listened
- ☐ Never paid attention

3. How does this person deal with stress?

- ☐ Meditate
- ☐ Talk with a psychologist
- ☐ Drink with friends
- ☐ Ignore the stress

4. What are they going to do after this conversation?

- ☐ Grab a beer
- ☐ Go home
- ☐ Eat dinner
- ☐ Watch TV

8. .

1. Who is in the hospital?

- ☐ Jared is in the hospital
- ☐ Jared's friend is in the hospital
- ☐ Jared's father is in the hospital
- ☐ Jared's wife is in the hospital

2. Who else is in the hospital right now?

- ☐ Jared's wife is also in the hospital
- ☐ Jared's cousin is also in the hospital
- ☐ Jared's mother is also in the hospital
- ☐ Jared's friend is also in the hospital

3. Why is that person in the hospital?

- ☐ Had a stroke
- ☐ Had a heart attack
- ☐ Has a high fever
- ☐ None of the above

4. When will Jared go to the hospital?

- ☐ Right away
- ☐ Right after dinner
- ☐ First thing in the morning
- ☐ After class tomorrow

9. .

1. How did Mark get such a big belly?

- ☐ From watching too much TV
- ☐ From eating too much food
- ☐ From drinking too much beer
- ☐ From eating too much potato chips

2. What motivation is the guy with the belly using to start working out?

- ☐ To get some girls
- ☐ To get rid of the belly
- ☐ To get healthier
- ☐ To get in shape

3. Why is one guy asking if the other guy will join the health club if he already said he would?

- ☐ He didn't hear it the first time
- ☐ He thought it was a joke so he didn't take him seriously
- ☐ He doesn't want him to join the health club
- ☐ He doesn't want to share the girls



4. What are they going to do after this conversation?

- ☐ They are going to eat dinner
- ☐ They are going to drink beer
- ☐ They are going to hunt for some girls
- ☐ They are going to work out at the health club

10. .

1. Why is this person afraid of bee's?

- ☐ Because they sting and it hurts
- ☐ Because the person had a bad experience when that person was young
- ☐ Because they are weird looking
- ☐ Because they make a scary buzzing sound

2. Where do they usually tell horror stories?

- ☐ In the movie theater
- ☐ At a camp fire
- ☐ In a funeral
- ☐ Behind the bushes

3. What is one possible reason this person is afraid of many things?

- ☐ Watched too many scary movies
- ☐ Heard too many horror stories
- ☐ Has too much imagination
- ☐ Went outside in the dark alone too many times

4. What recommendation is give to be less scared of things?

- ☐ To be with many people
- ☐ To leave the lights on at night
- ☐ To not watch scary movies
- ☐ To think more realistically



11. .

1. What sports does Mark like?

- ☐ He likes only basketball, football, golf, and tennis
- ☐ He likes volleyball the most
- ☐ He likes most sports, so just about everything
- ☐ He likes only tennis and volleyball

2. Is the girl considered athletic?

- ☐ No. She doesn't like to play sports
- ☐ She doesn't think so, but it sure sounds that way.
- ☐ Yes. She plays every sport and watches every sport.
- ☐ None of the above

3. What fact do we know about the Mariners from just this dialog?

- ☐ They are a baseball team
- ☐ They are a team based in Seattle
- ☐ They play in a new stadium
- ☐ All of the above

4. Does Mark like watching the Super bowl?

- ☐ No. He only watches when other people are watching it
- ☐ No. He never watches the Super bowl
- ☐ Yes. He definitely likes to watch the Super bowl
- ☐ He doesn't explicitly say so, but he probably likes to watch the Super bowl